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PROPERTIES OF A POLISHING PAD AND SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS  
THEREFOR

Group No.: 3723

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ELECTION OF CLAIMS

In response to the Official Action of February 11, 2002, the Applicants hereby elects, without traverse, Claims 28-45, comprising Group III.